

REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 1-10 have been cancelled, and claims 11-20 have been added. Thus, claims 11-20 are now active in the application. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

The specification and abstract have been carefully reviewed and revised to correct grammatical and idiomatic errors in order to aid the Examiner in further consideration of the application. The amendments to the specification and abstract are incorporated in the attached substitute specification and abstract. No new matter has been added.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and abstract by the current amendment. The attachment is captioned "**Version with markings to show changes made.**"

On page 2 of the Office Action under the heading "Specification", the disclosure was objected to, and in this regard, the Examiner instructed applicants to "on page 3, line 3 update the status of the publication if the status has changed." In this regard, it is noted that, although the document number listed on line 3 of page 3 refers to a Japanese unexamined publication, the document does constitute a publication, not simply an application. Therefore, it is submitted that this publication number is fully adequate to be presented in the present specification. The Japanese patent application that published as the Japanese Patent Unexamined Publication Number 2001-351478 listed on line 3 of page 3 is JP 2000-170420. Thus, the number listed on line 3 of page 3 is not an application number, but a publication number.

At the bottom of page 2 of the Office Action, claims 1-10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

However, at the top of page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner kindly indicated that the claims appear allowable if claim 1 is amended to correct the ambiguities noted in the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

Thus, regarding the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, it is submitted that this rejection is now moot in view of the cancellation of claims 1-10. Further, new claims 11-20

have been carefully drafted to avoid the problems specifically enumerated by the Examiner and to otherwise clearly comport with the requirements under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

In particular, to address the Examiner's concerns, new claim 11 recites each of the "arms" separately as a "first arm", a "second arm", a "third arm", and a "fourth arm" and refers individually to each of these arms being mounted to the switch case and being at least half as long as the respective side of the switch case. It is now clarified in claim 11 that the controlling unit is mounted to the switch case. Other instances in the claims in which it was somewhat difficult to determine the intended correspondence between elements have also been addressed.

Thus, with the cancellation of claims 1-10 and the addition of new claims 11-20 carefully drafted to avoid the problems noted by the Examiner and to otherwise clearly comport with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, it is submitted that the application is now clearly in condition for allowance, and an early notice thereof is earnestly solicited.

If, after reviewing this Amendment, the Examiner feels there are any issues remaining which must be resolved before the application can be passed to issue, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned by telephone in order to resolve such issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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